

AT LENOX HILL NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

## Granola

Homemade granola is much cheaper and healthier than packaged granola or processed cereals. Oats contain high amounts of fiber and are a great breakfast food. This granola will keep up to two weeks in an airtight container. Try serving our delicious granola by making beautiful parfaits using fresh seasonal fruits!

Makes 5 Cups or 20- 2-ounce portions

## Ingredients

4 cups of rolled oats

½ teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/3 cup oil

1/4 cup honey, brown sugar, or white sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

Zest and juice of 1 orange

2/3 cup raisins or dried cranberries

2/3 cup dried unsweetened coconut flakes, optional

## **Directions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F degrees.
- 2. In a small pot. ix orange zest, orange juice, oil, honey, cinnamon, and vanilla. Warm the oil and honey mixture for one minute.
- 3. Pour over rolled oats and mix well.
- 4. Spread very thinly on baking sheet lined with paper.
- 5. Bake 8-10 minutes, stirring once after about 5 minutes.
- 6. Take out while still soft. The oat mixture will become crisper as it cools. Transfer mixture to a large bowl and add raisins and coconut and stir well.
- 7. Cool and store in airtight bags or plastic container with lid.



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## **Summer Parfaits**

- 1. In a clear glass layer 3 tablespoons of chopped fresh fruit and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of plain yogurt.
- 2. Drizzle with honey or maple syrup if desired.
- 3. Top off with a sprinkling of granola for a delicious crunch.